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The Construction Trades Qualifying Board Division "B" was called to order at 10:32 A.M., on Tuesday, March 11th, 2014, in the 2nd Floor Conference Rooms I/J of the Herbert S. Saffir Permitting and Inspection Center located at 11805 SW 26th Street (Coral Way), Miami, Florida 33175.

Members Present

Michael Affronte Nestor Bustamante, P.A., **Chairman** Irv Chazen Arthur Fernandez Barry Jordan Lucio Rivero Calvin Samuels

Members Excused

Juan Zuniga

Kenneth Scott, Vice Chairman

Staff Present

David Barry Yocum

Todd Stiff

Benjamin Simon, Assistant County Attorney Michael Goolsby, Board and Code Administration Division Director Kathy Charles, Board Administrator Shirley D. Brown, Contractor Licensing Section Supervisor Luis Y. Lopez, Recording Secretary

Court Reporter

---None---

Review and Approval of Minutes

The Chairman Nestor Bustamante requested a motion to approve the **minutes of** the **February 11th, 2014** Board meeting. A motion was made by Irv Chazen to **accept the minutes as written**. Arthur Fernandez seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously.**

Formal Hearing

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Appearances

Mechanical

Oscar Alvarez *Master General Mechanical*Exam Applicant (Personal)

Trade Experience

Result: Board Member Michael Affronte informed the Board that Mr. Alvarez has a Journeyman License and has been working for an Engineer's Office as a Drafter. Mr. Affronte clarified that in his opinion two (2) years working in an office is not equivalent to field experience. Mr. Alvarez was present and informed the Board that he also has a College degree from Cuba. Mr. Affronte then moved to **deny** Mr. Alvarez' **Exam Application** for the *Master General Mechanical* Examination at this time due to lack to trade experience. Mr. Barry Jordan seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Medardo Gomez

Journeyman General Mechanical

Exam Applicant (Personal)

Trade Experience

<u>Results</u>: Board Member Michael Affronte notified the Board that Mr. Gomez submitted W2's as proof of trade experience. However, the salary he made working for his employer doesn't total to the full time hours equivalent of two years required to take the Exam. Since 2006, Mr. Gomez commented, through translation by Mr. Rafael Cordoba, that he has been working for South Florida Institute of Technology. Mr. Affronte then moved to **deny** Mr. Gomez **Exam Application** for the *Journeyman General Mechanical* Examination at this time due to lack of trade experience. However, Mr. Affronte **approved** Mr. Gomez for the **Mechanical Maintenance Examination**. Mr. Lucio Rivero seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Randy Joubert *Journeyman Air Conditioning* Exam Applicant (Personal) **Trade Experience**

Result: Upon reviewing Mr. Joubert's trade experience and education, Mr. Affronte then moved to **approve** his **Exam Application** for the *Journeyman Air Conditioning Examination*. Mr. Lucio Rivero seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Jean L. Telfort **Trade Experience** *Master Air Conditioning – Unlimited*Exam Applicant (Personal)

<u>Result</u>: Mr. Michael Goolsby, Board and Code Administration Division Director, advised the Board that Mr. Telfort was previously approved pending submittal of five (5) years trade experience. However, the information he provided Staff was not sufficient. Mr. Telfort was

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present and notified the Board that he had seven (7) years of experience in the electrical trade. Mr. Affronte then moved to **deny** Mr. Telfort **Exam Application** in the *Master Air Conditioning* – *Unlimited* Examination at this time due to lack of documented mechanical trade experience. Mr. Barry Jordan seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Plumbing

Daniel M. Adler

Business Derogatory Credit Report

Master Lawn Sprinkler
Reciprocity (Business & Personal) – Broward County
Tropical Touch Gardens Center, Inc.

Result: Board Member Lucio Rivero informed the Board that Mr. Adler had a pending tax lien from Louisiana in the amount of \$44,000.00 dollars. Mr. Adler was present and clarified that his company has never performed any work in the State of Louisiana. Mr. Rivero inquired on the reason the company had several tax liens filed within the same year. Ms. Olga Vindell, Office Manager, informed Mr. Rivero that the previous Office Manager embezzled over a million dollars from the company. Upon further discussion, Mr. Lucio Rivero moved to **approve** Mr. Adler for **Reciprocity** (**Business & Personal**) – **Broward County** in the *Master Lawn Sprinkler* trade pending clearance letter or clear credit report on the tax lien from Louisiana. Mr. Barry Jordan seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Gilberto Sr. Iglesias

Master Plumber

Change of Affiliation

From: Plumbtech Services Inc.

To: 911 Plumbing Services Inc.

Business and Personal Derogatory Credit Reports

Result: Board Member Lucio Rivero advised Mr. Iglesias that he has to finalize the outstanding liens which fall under his responsibility as qualifying agent. Upon further discussion, Mr. Rivero moved to **deny** Mr. Iglesias for **Change of Affiliation** in the *Master Plumber* trade at this time due to derogatory business and personal credit report. Mr. Arthur Fernandez seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Electrical

Servando E. Cartaya *Journeyman Electrician* Exam Applicant (Personal) **Trade Experience**

<u>Result</u>: Mr. Calvin Samuels informed the Board that Mr. Cartaya was previously denied for not having enough trade experience working under a Contractor. After review of his file, Mr. Samuels then moved to **approve** Mr. Cartaya for the **Maintenance Electrician Examination**. Mr. Lucio Rivero seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

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Appearances

Electrical

Lyle Ryman

Master Sign Electrician

New Certification

Sign Image & Digital Leds Inc.

Address Response to Question on License Application

<u>Result</u>: Mr. Calvin Samuels moved to **approve** Mr. Ryman for **New Certification** in the *Master Sign Electrician* trade. Mr. Michael Affronte seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Electrical Application/File Review

New Certification

---None---

Change of Affiliation

The Board Reviewed and approved the following application:

Luis A. Martinez From: Energia & Engineering USA Inc.

Master Electrician To: City of North Miami Beach

Inactive Status

The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:

Rafael E. Monzo High & Low Voltage Electrical Systems Corporation

Master Electrician

Reciprocity – Journeyman Electricians – Broward County

The Board reviewed and approved the following application:

Yeovanny Taveras

Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – Broward County

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Reciprocity - Personal Certificate - West Palm Beach

---None---

Reciprocity - Business/Personal Certificate - West Palm Beach

---None---

Exam Applicants - Journeyman Burglar Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Fire Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Electrician

The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:

Manuel Rolando Aguilar
Ivan Delgado
Kenny Fonseca Bous
Alejandro A. Garcia
Abimelet Hernandez-Fonseca
Alejandro Leon-Nunez
Majid Maturah
Diego Adolfo Melendez
Odnel Michel
Angel Ramirez
Alberto Robaina

Dixan Veloz

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Sign Electrician

---None---

Exam Applicants – Maintenance Electrician

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Exam Applicants – Master Burglar Alarm				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Master Electric Utili	<u>ty</u>			
	None			
Exam Applicants – Master Electrician				
The Board reviewed and approved the follo	owing applications:			
Emilio Alfonso Abel Casanova-Leon Luis M. Hidalgo				
Exam Applicants – Master Fire Alarm				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Master Low Voltage				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Master Sign Electrician				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Master TV Antenna				
	None			
Mechanical Application/File Review				
New Certification				
	None			
Change of Affiliation				
	None			

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Inactive Status				
	None			
<u>Reciprocity - Personal Certificate Only - Broward County</u>				
	None			
Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – Broward County				
	None			
Reciprocity - Personal Certificate Only - West Palm Beach				
	None			
<u>Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – West Palm Beach</u>				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Journeyman Air C	onditioning			
	None			
Exam Applicants – Journeyman General Mechanical				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Journeyman Pressure & Process Piping				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Journeyman Refrigeration				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Sheet Metal				
	None			
Exam Applicants – Master Air Conditioning – Limited				
	None			

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Exam Applicants – Master Air Conditioning – Unlimited		
None		
Exam Applicants – Master Ammonia Refrigeration		
None		
Exam Applicants – Master General Mechanical		
None		

Exam Applicants – Master Refrigeration & Air Conditioning

Exam Applicants - Master Room Air Conditioning

---None---

---None---

Exam Applicants - Master Steam Generator Boiler & Piping

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Transporting Assembly Install

The Board reviewed and approved the following application:

Javier Rodriguez

Exam Applicants – Mechanical Maintenance

The Board reviewed and approved the following application:

Pedro M. Martinez

Plumbing Application/File Review

New Certification

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Change	of a	Affil	liation

---None---

Inactive Status

---None---

Reciprocity – Personal Certificate Only – Broward County

---None---

Reciprocity - Business/Personal Certificate - Broward County

The Board reviewed and denied the following application:

Leonardo Gimenez Master Lawn Sprinkler

Note: Pending Business Credit Report

Applicant denied due to lack of Financial Interest in the Company.

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Gas Fitter

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Plumber

The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:

Jonathon Ellett Angel Lamberto Steven W. Walker Jr.

Exam Applicants - Maintenance Plumber

The Board reviewed and approved the following application:

Juan Rios

Exam Applicants - Master Gas Fitter

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Exam Applicants – Master Lawn Sprinkler

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Plumber

The Board reviewed and approved the following application:

Frantz Charlot

Exam Applicants – Master Portable Chemical Toilets

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Maintenance – Limited

---None---

<u>Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Maintenance – Unlimited</u>

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Piping

---None---

Report

---None---

Board Discussion

Non Agenda – Online Course Acceptance

Board Member Calvin Samuels indicated that he had an item he wished to discuss. He inquired about the reason that the Board only allows 25% of CEU courses be taken online to meet the Continuing Education requirements. Mr. Samuels advised the Board Members that the State allows Contractors to take 100% of CEU courses online. Mr. Goolsby informed members that through the Full Board, the members had established 25% of the course to be taken online in order to ensure adequate classroom interaction as benefit to Contractors. Assistant County Attorney Benjamin Simon informed Mr. Samuels that it will require both Boards to meet and modify the CEU requirement. Ms. Kathy Charles, Board Administrator, notified the Board that

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she could schedule an early Full Board Meeting in the month of June where this matter could be discussed jointly. Mr. Samuels requested that, in addition, Members of the CTQB Division "A" provide feedback on whether they would be in favor of allowing all (100%) Continuing Education Courses to be taken online as an option.

Continuing Education

Cordoba and Associates Inc. – D099 Sponsor renewal

Miami-Dade Community College - Kendall College - D013

Two (2) **new** courses

FBC Energy Conservation (4 hours) D013-073

FBC Mechanical 2010 Updates to 2014 (4 hours) D013-074

The above-mentioned Continuing Education applications were reviewed and **approved** by the Board.

Probable Cause Case

---None---

Board Information

The Board acknowledged the Miami-Dade County Examination Administration Report – February 1st, 2014 to February 28th, 2014.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:49 A.M.